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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

January 27, 2004:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview was held on the above date between Examiner Tran and Applicant's representative (J. Beckstead, reg. no. 48,232).

During the interview, the following was discussed: (i) the Office Action dated September 30, 2003, including the rejection of claims 21 - 23 and 30 - 36 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 in view of a combination of EP 0 854 045 A2 ("Childers") and U.S.P. Application No. 2002/0025066 A1 ("Siwinski").

The following principal arguments were presented: (i) the rejection of claims 21 - 23 and 30 - 36 were discussed in view of the Childers and Siwinski references. Applicant's representative explained that, contrary to the Examiner's assertion, the pocket 70 disclosed in

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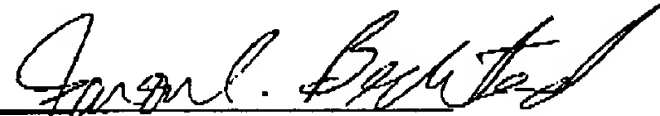
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Childers does not suggest the claimed aperture. Further, it was pointed out how Siwinski failed to cure the above-noted deficiencies of Childers.

As a result of the interview, Examiner Tran stated that she now understood Applicant's arguments (as noted above) and that she would need to reconsider the references cited in the instant rejection of claims 21 - 23 and 30 - 36, and that she would relate her ultimate decision in the near future.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dear Examiner Han:

Please find attached a Transmittal and an Interview Summary in connection with the above-referenced application.

Sincerely,
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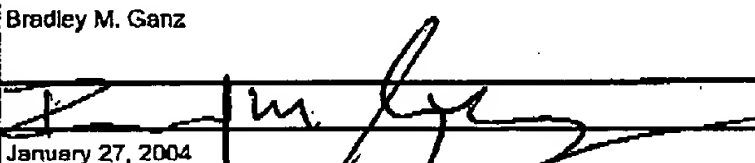
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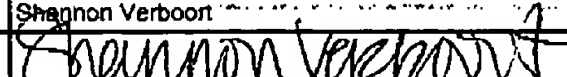
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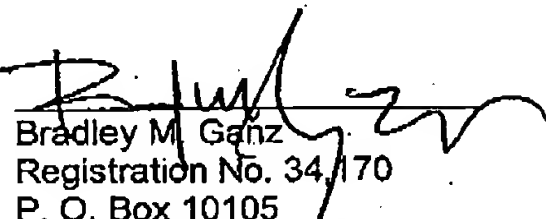
INTERVIEW SUMMARY

This is a summary of the interview of on January 27, 2004. Applicant discussed the terminology "semantic association" and how the St. John reference does not disclose a semantic association. Applicant and Examiner did not reach an agreement on how the term "semantic association" should be interpreted. The Examiner stated that he would not give weight to how the specification uses the terminology. In addition, Applicant asserted that such an association pre-exists the processing of a voice command. The Examiner stated that he had

not reviewed St. John as to the issue raised and was not prepared to discuss whether such a limitation distinguishes over St. John.

Respectfully submitted,

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